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**Subject:** RE: Hot Issues Request - Administrator visiting Dallas, TX  
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The attached file contains Superfund Division “Hot Topics” for Administrator Gina McCarthy’s Visit to Region 6. The following issues are featured:

- Camp Minden—Explo Systems
- Tulane National Primate Research Center Investigation
- Chemical Recycling, Inc. Superfund Site
- Libby Asbestos Contaminated Vermiculite Exfoliation Sites
- New Mexico Uranium Mine Sites
- CES Environmental Services, Inc., Houston, Harris County, TX
- St. Rose, Louisiana Community Air Assessment
- Tar Creek Superfund Site
- North and South Cavalcade Superfund Sites
- Onsite Residents at Wilcox Oil Company
- Dioxin Re-evaluation at Arkwood, Inc.
- West Dallas Revitalization Case Study
- San Jacinto River Waste Pits
- East 67<sup>th</sup> Street Superfund Site Remedial Action
- Sandy Beach Road Superfund Site Remedial Action

Respectfully,

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**From:** Wang, Jonathan

**Sent:** Thursday, April 02, 2015 9:15 AM

**To:** Talton, Anthony; Drammeh, Joan; Bradford, Deanna

**Subject:** FW: Hot Issues Request - Administrator visiting Dallas, TX

Good morning all,

Hope you're doing well. Just wanted to see if yall had any submissions for this? We have to send the final to HQ today. Thanks!

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**From:** Wang, Jonathan

**Sent:** Tuesday, March 24, 2015 7:56 AM

**To:** 'Anthony Talton'; Clayton, Carrie; Drammeh, Joan; Garcia, David; 'Marcus Jackson'; 'Patrick Garbart'; 'Tomika McGee'; 'Wren Stenger'

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**Subject:** Hot Issues Request - Administrator visiting Dallas, TX

Good morning all,

Administrator McCarthy will be visiting Dallas, TX, on April 9. Her office is requesting hot issues from the region specifically anything in Dallas and Texas. If your division has any hot issues, please send them to me by **COB Wednesday, April 1**. Below is the proper HQ format for the hot issues (less than half a page for each issue) and an example.

Let me know if you have any questions, thanks!

**Issue:** (Name of Issue)

**Background/Status:** (a few sentences only)

**Message:** (2-3 bullet points)

**Contact:** (Division Director, Division, Phone Number)

Example:

**Issue:** Illinois River Watershed Nutrient TMDL Development Project

**Background/Status:**

In 2002, Oklahoma established a 0.037 mg/L phosphorus criterion for its portion of the Illinois River, as well as the State's other designated "scenic rivers." Subsequently, Oklahoma and Arkansas entered into an agreement which stipulated NPDES permit limits of 1.0 mg/L of phosphorus for certain major dischargers in the watershed. The terms of that agreement expired in June 2012, and since then the two states have allowed permits to be administratively continued with existing permit limits. In February 2013, Oklahoma and Arkansas entered into a new three-year agreement for Arkansas to fund a stressor-response study for the Illinois River to determine the total phosphorus threshold response level.

**Message:**

- Since November 2009, EPA Region 6 has been working with affected tribes, public, and agencies from both states to develop a comprehensive water quality model of the Illinois River Watershed.
- Region 6 has recently received letters from the Arkansas Congressional Delegation, Tyson Foods, Inc., and others asking the Regional Administrator to place the Illinois River modeling and TMDL development process on hold until the stressor-response study is completed.
- Region 6 believes that the current work is vital to improving water quality and plans to continue its current modeling efforts in the Illinois River Basin. The Region expects to complete the modeling by late Fall 2014.

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